

TUESDAY
AUGUST 22, 2006

EAGLE TIMES

Won't make the same mistake Sept. 12

To the editor:

No one likes to make a mistake and I'm sure we would jump at the chance to correct one, if given the opportunity. Such an opportunity will present itself at the Republican primary election in September. I am referring to our opportunity to replace Harry Gale as the District 3 State Representative.

My mistake was thinking that when I voted for Harry Gale, I thought I was voting for someone who would work well with our board of selectmen and our town officials. I thought I had voted for someone who recognized that we are in need of tax relief, from an unfairly calculated county tax and a statewide property tax this is just out of hand.

I attend various town meetings, school and committee meetings and have been disappointed to see that our Sunapee Selectmen have not been given the support of the Sunapee State Representative, especially when it comes to the battle over our tax dollars.

I have witnessed our local Budget Advisory Committee, and have been very much impressed by their efforts to watch over our tax dollars. In particular, Charlie Balyeat who has served on that committee for 10 years and is now standing for election to the office of Sunapee State Representative.

On September 12th, I am going to correct the mistake I

made in the last election for State Representative. This time I am voting for the candidate who has *demonstrated* that he shares my concerns. I'll be voting for the candidate that has *demonstrated* that he can work with the Selectmen of Sunapee to produce a fiscally responsible budget. I am voting to correct a mistake.

Please join me in voting for Charlie Balyeat to represent Sunapee in the statehouse. It is the right thing to do.

Robert Ruopp
Sunapee